

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Kensuke FUJII et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 3672
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Application No.: 10/501,323	)	Examiner: John J. Kreck
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371(c) Date: July 15, 2004	)	Confirmation No.: 7887
	)	
I.A. Filing Date: December 13, 2002	)	
	)	
For: METHOD OF PURIFYING	)	
CONTAMINATED SOIL USING	)	
MICROORGANISMS	)	

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Applicants now respond to the Office Action mailed April 11, 2008. The period of reply has been extended to October 11, 2008, by the Petition for Three Month Extension of Time and fee payment filed herewith. Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and consideration of the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper and begin on page 2.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment section of this paper and begin on page 5.